Housing

The <u>Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)</u> program works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses.

The <u>HOME Investment Partnership (HOME)</u> program funds local nonprofit groups and private developers to accomplish a wide range of activities that build, buy, and/or rehabilitate affordable housing for rent or homeownership or provide direct rental assistance to low-income people.

The positive impact that these programs have made in the housing market in Duluth has been very significant, and has helped to improve the quality of life and general welfare of many of Duluth's citizens. Below are some of the housing impacts of the CBDG and HOME programs, from 2005 to 2009 program years.

- 91 New Construction Rental Units for persons with disabilities and/or very low income.
- 347 Owner Occupied Homes have improved their energy efficiency through weatherization.
 - 377 Homeowners have been assisted in rehabilitating their homes.
- Vacant, blighted, or foreclosed homes have gone through major renovation and sold to moderate income homebuyers.
 - 23 New Single Family Homes have been constructed.
- 223 Rental Property Units have been rehabilitated.
 - Families have been able to purchase affordable single family homes.
- Households have been kept from being homeless through the Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program.



